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Application No.: 10/619,968 : Group No.: 2853
Filed: July 15, 2003 : Examiner: Brooke, Michael
For: **HEATER CHIP CONFIGURATION FOR AN INKJET PRINTHEAD
AND PRINTER**

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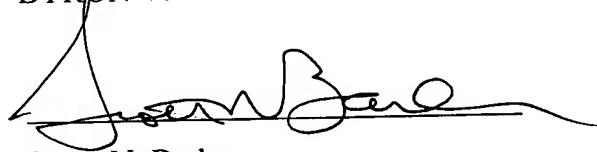
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STATEMENT**

Dear Sir:

On December 9, 2003, Applicants submitted a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, including a form PTO/SB/08A, which has not yet been returned with an indication that the material listed therein has been considered. As the Applicants believe this submission was in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97, in accordance with MPEP Section 609 C(2), Applicants request that the Examiner return a copy of the PTO/SB/08A with his initials placed adjacent to the citations in order to confirm that the submitted references were considered. For the convenience of the Examiner, a copy of the PTO/SB/08A, as filed on December 9, 2003, is submitted herewith (along with a copy of the postcard returned by the Office indicating its receipt).

A copy of the reference was submitted on December 9, 2003. If the Examiner requires a second copy, please contact the undersigned attorney. Any fees required in connection with this communication may and should be charged to Deposit Account No. 12-1213.

Respectfully submitted,
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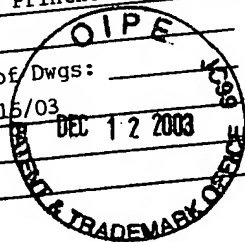
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

1. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants herewith submit certain references which the Patent & Trademark Office may wish to consider in examining the above-identified application. The references are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are also provided. No representation is made or intended that a prior art search has been made or that no better art than that listed is available.

2. The information disclosure statement submitted herewith is being filed within three months of the filing date of the application or date of entry into the national stage of an international application or before the mailing date of a first Office action on the merits, whichever event occurs last. 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Acct. No. 12-1213. A duplicate of this petition is attached.

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